GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
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ADITYA SOLAR SHOPS
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Aditya Solar Shops operating in the country with their location;

(b) whether the Government proposes to open more such shops in the country;

(c) if so, the details alongwith their locations thereof; and

(d) the funds likely to be spent by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY(SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR)

(a),(b)&(c): A total of 104 Aditya Solar Shops were established in the country under an erstwhile scheme of the Ministry.Under a revised scheme,the shops are now being established as Akshay Urja Shops.The scheme aims at establishment of one Shop in each district.A total of 165 Akshay Urja Shops have been approved for 16 States.

State-wise break-up of Aditya Solar Shops and Akshay Urja Shops is given in the Annexure.

(d): The scheme provides for soft loan at an interest rate of 7% to a maximum of Rs.10.00 lakh for setting up the shop.A recurring grant and incentive of Rs.10,000/- per month is also available over a period of two years subject to certain eligibility conditions.